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For: THROUGH WIRING BOARD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

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Applicant submits herewith a European Office Action, dated March 16, 2011, issued in Applicant No. 04 792 048.3. It is noted that eight (8) references cited in the Action were previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement; US 2003/222350, US 5,634,268,

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US 2004/0040149, and US 6,1636462 filed on April 13, 2010 and JP 2003-017495, JP 59-222954, JP 2001-015633, and JP 2003-124389 filed on April 23, 2007.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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